The 1386th Regular Commission Meeting of the Scottville City Commission was held on September 19, 2016 and called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Maki.

Roll Call was taken with the following members present:

Commissioners  Leon Begue
                Sally Cole
                Connie Duncil
                Ann Genson
                Richard L. Maki

Absent  Bruce Krieger
        Marcy Spencer

Also in attendance were City Manager Williams, Clerk Howe, Chief Riley and Attorney Thompson.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion, by Begue and seconded by Duncil, to approve the 1385th Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Motion, by Duncil and seconded by Cole, to approve the bills in the amount of $124,386.01. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

Williams stated she submitted the Rural Fire Authority Minutes for review. She also submitted correspondence from MDOT regarding a Rural Transportation Planning Meeting, which is open to the public. It will be held September 21st from 4-6 p.m. at the airport.
REPORTS
CITY MANAGER

● Contacted C & I Electric to look at the siren and see if they could figure out why it no longer worked. It was discovered that the siren is missing from the roof. Williams stated a few years ago maintenance was done to the exterior of City Hall and that is when it may have been removed without her knowledge. She asked C & I what the cost of replacing the siren would be and if the quote is reasonable she will have them install a new one.

● Visited Northwood’s Signs to see firsthand what colors are available for the new cemetery sign because the true colors are not represented through e-mail. The DPW will install the sign once it is delivered, which should be in a couple of weeks.

● Base coat was placed on Maple, Broadway and Main Streets and the top coat will follow in a couple of weeks after the restoration has been completed. The contractors will be connecting to the new water main on the east side of Scottville this week. Residents will be notified that they will be without water while this is being done.

● Council asked if we are required to replace the siren in compliance with the Civil Defense. Williams stated she believes it is not mandatory anymore and many communities no longer have working sirens.

CITY ATTORNEY

● Been to court regarding some misdemeanor cases.
● Working on zoning issues.
● Working on the street vendor ordinance.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Harvest Festival went smooth and no major incidents were reported.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The auditor is planning on attending the October 3rd Commission Meeting to discuss the audit.

DDA REPORT

A wrap-up meeting to discuss the future of the Harvest Festival is scheduled to start at 6:00 p.m. on October 12th at the library. It will be
open to the public and everyone is invited to attend and discuss what the vision of next year’s festival should be.

**ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Williams stated non-toxic smoke testing of the sanitary sewers will take place this week on Wednesday and Thursday, weather permitting. The testing is part of the SAW grant the City received for storm water and sewer work. Since the new sewer lines were installed the City has experienced a problem with infiltration. The testing will take place from Main Street west and will be concentrated in the NW quadrant. Residents living in those areas will be notified of the testing and the engineers and City crew will be in attendance while the testing takes place.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A new organization was formed in July called Neighbor to Neighbor and it is supported by Habitat for Humanity, Pennies From Heaven Foundation, MSU Extension and the Mason County Growth Alliance. The purpose of the organization is to have volunteers help homeowners with blight issues and make the exterior pleasing to the eye and their homes safe to live in. Three homes located at 104, 106 and 108 South Reinberg have been chosen to receive assistance, which will take place from September 29 through October 1. Homeowners are asked to contribute funds or time to the project and they are also required to take classes offered by MSU. The Neighbor to Neighbor organization is looking for volunteers to assist with manual labor plus they are looking for donations of food to feed the volunteers. If anyone is interested in helping out in any way they should contact Williams at City Hall.

Williams stated The Mason County Family Events Organization would like to apply for a Charitable Gaming License to hold raffles within the City limits. In order to do so the State of Michigan requires they seek approval from the City of Scottville. An organization only has to apply one time and then it stays on file with the State. Williams noted in the past, the Commission has approved several of these gaming licenses. Motion, by Begue and seconded by Genson, to approve the resolution for Charitable Gaming License. Motion carried.

Floyd Kaminski asked the Commissioners to approve his request to have a fireworks display after MCC’s Homecoming game that will be held Friday, October 14th. The display will take approximately 10-15
minutes. Mr. Kaminski has done this in the past and it has been without incident. Motion, by Genson and seconded by Duncil, to approve the fireworks request. Motion carried.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Hahn asked if the siren cannot be replaced with the exact model that they had if she would consider purchasing another model.

Williams stated yes she would.

Hahn asked if the occupants of the homes that are part of the Neighbor to Neighbor program are homeowners or if they are rental properties.

Williams stated they are homeowners.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Duncil and seconded by Begue to adjourn. So carried at 5:54 p.m.

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Richard Maki, Mayor            Deborah A. Howe, Clerk